



Some Bearcats deal with the struggles of college with religion

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BEYOND THE ROPES



Young men learn lessons outside the ring

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After the bell rings, signifying the end of another typical day at Maryville High School, 15-year-old Elijah Green struts to his locker. Away go his books and homework for the evening and out come his favorite pair of gloves.

While he waits for his father, Clarence Green, University police chief at Northwest, Elijah Green puts on his headphones and works on his footwork and hand movement, just as he does most days during lunch.

When they arrive at the Metro Boxing Club in St. Joseph, Elijah Green straps on those battered gloves, protective belt and head gear. Muted blows reverberate across the gym as Elijah Green prepares to step into the ring. The likes of Chase Calloway, son of world boxing champion Rob Calloway, await him just beyond the ropes.

This time, he waits for a different toned bell, reminding him he is not in high school anymore. When this bell

rings, Elijah Green becomes a nationally ranked boxer.

The bell sounds, and it begins. “Right jab, right jab, left hook,” barks head coach Jason Redmond. Those steps Elijah Green puts to work are the same he practiced in the school gym after a hurried lunch to squeeze in extra preparation for next week’s tournament.

For Elijah Green and the athletes at Metro Boxing Club, the youth center turned boxing gym provides more than somewhere to box. For some, it’s a chance to feel the deep burn after a well-trained exercise. Others enjoy the company.

For some, it’s a way to change their life.

“...they can get through life”

Music from the loudspeakers blare during workouts. Explicit, bass rumbling beats shake the gym just as the shuffle of a boxer’s feet.

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City Council positions, bond issues among measures on municipal ballot

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With two open City Council spots and three young candidates, a school bond and county-wide bond for rural road maintenance, the April 8 general municipal election has the potential to change several aspects across the city of Maryville and Nodaway County.

For the Maryville City Council, Mayor Jim Fall and Councilman Ron Moss are not seeking re-election. Local candidates Rachael Martin, 27; Adam R. Switzer, 25; and Timothy A. Shipley, 36, will be on the ballot for two available three-year terms.

All three candidates attended Northwest and have expressed the im-

portance of considering the opinion of Northwest students when making decisions. Martin summarized this sentiment when she announced her intent to run for City Council in January.

“The point of City Council is to make our neighborhoods safe and have a vibrant economy,” Martin said. “It’s important that they at least get a variance of opinions, not everybody from the same upbringing or same age or same gender. Having those different opinions is what’s going to benefit them making decisions that benefit most of the population.”

The elected candidates will join council members Renee Riedel, Glenn Jonagan and Jeff Funston on the governing body for the city.

While the council may see revitalization with new, younger faces, the school district may also see renovations and improvements if the proposed \$10.25 million capital improvements bond issue passes.

The no tax-increase bond issue would allow funds for several major changes, some of which include a new full-service kitchen, commons and cafeteria at Eugene Field Elementary School and new security measures and a new performing arts center and auxiliary gym at the high school.

Maryville R-II School District voters are being asked to approve a \$10.25 million capital improvements bond issue.

Superintendent Larry Linthacum

said they are “cautiously optimistic,” as the district hopes the community supports them in their endeavor to improve the facilities.

Linthacum said the opportunity for students to have their own space for practice and performance is one great benefit.

“We do have a good partnership with Northwest, but we feel like there’s a need here within the district to have our own performing arts center,” he said. “We are working through that process as something that’ll be used and not just six times a year. We feel like it could be used all throughout the year, maybe for professional development for our staff or testing for our students.”

Linthacum also felt the district identified its needs and is “trying to be a good steward to the patrons’ money” by making these changes.

Another school related item on the ballot includes three members of the Maryville R-II School Board running unopposed. Roger Baker, Jason Jaer and Sean Wiedmaier will return for new three-year terms.

Other items include a half-cent sales tax designed to raise \$1 million in additional revenue solely for the purchase of gravel in order to maintain rural roads in the 15 Nodaway townships and addressing the three open spots on the Nodaway Holt R-VII Board of Education.

Retention rates, sophomore slump concern Northwest

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With universities scrambling to get every cent of state funding possible, Northwest is exploring the possibility of changing the freshman and sophomore year experiences for students.

In other words, future Bearcats may be required to live in University housing for two years.

Conversations began after the University embraced the state’s focus to determine funding based on performance grades in five areas determined by the state. These five points, which include freshman-to-sophomore retention rate, are used by the Department of Higher Education to base what percentage of allocated funds Northwest receives.

Though Northwest has reached each measure in the program’s first two years, University officials are discussing ways to stay ahead of the curve.

“We have to look at performance measures in a much different way. We used to just do what we think’s right, and it doesn’t affect our funding with the state,” said Matt Baker, vice president of student affairs. “They’ve come back and said ‘you need students to be graduating and staying enrolled.’”

In a U.S. News and World Report article from Nov. 26, data from 1,365



PHOTO ILLUSTRATION by CODY SIMMONS | NW MISSOURIAN
Freshman Allison Pinet plans out her week in the seventh floor lounge of Millikan Hall. Northwest is looking at the possibility of a two-year on-campus living policy.

colleges and universities showed the nation’s average freshman retention rate was 75 percent.

According to Beverly Schenkel, dean of enrollment management, Northwest’s freshman retention rate stood at 67 percent for 2012. The University of Central Missouri registered a retention rate of 72 percent, while the University of Missouri retained 84 percent, and Missouri Western State University retained only 62 percent.

Northwest also only graduates 28 percent of students in four years. A 2012 study by the Chronicle of Higher Education showed the nation’s average was 31 percent.

In fall 2013, a Missouri State University study showed students living on campus had higher GPAs than those living off campus during freshman, sophomore and junior years.

Baker says Northwest has concluded from statistics that students who live on-campus their sophomore year are more likely to graduate than those who live off-campus.

“When it goes back to performance funding, if we don’t graduate students, we are at risk of losing funding from the state,” Baker said. “This would be an intervention for us to increase retention, graduation and student success.”

Though an on-campus living requirement could be part of the program, the University is focused beyond the freshman-year experience.

Retaining students after their sophomore year is becoming a big focus for Northwest, according to Baker and Schenkel.

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Northwest’s student fees compare favorably to surrounding colleges

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For some students, paying tuition is like a magician’s show: fees are pulled out of hats like white rabbits, and charges magically appear on bills at the end of the month. For Northwest students, though, the smoke and mirrors of tuition is limited.

“We’re among the most affordable public universities in the state of Missouri,” said Stacy Carrick, vice president of finance. “Our textbook and laptop rental program saves students over \$7,200 over four years.”

Northwest is an attractive option for potential students on several levels, but its lower tuition is a major selling point. Besides having one of the lowest tuition increases in the nation and the second lowest tuition in the state, the University offers additional resources to save students and their families money.

“If you go to the Department of Higher Education, they have a website that shows tuition and fees for every institution, but they don’t do a good job of explaining what all those fees cover,” Carrick said.

Potential students can compare Northwest with other Missouri institutions using the Cost Comparison for Undergraduate chart, where the cost for a Missouri resident’s room, board, tuition and fees is laid out in simple terms.

“As a part of our strategic plan-

ning process, we’ve compiled a lot of different information, and when you look at that, it is amazing how confusing it becomes,” Carrick said. “A lot of times, it’s hard to find out and figure out all the different costs and what the data means, and what’s interesting is some of these schools listed (here) have additional fees on top of their base tuition.”

Carrick explained Northwest does not include additional fees, unlike the University of Missouri system, where a student has to pay more to be a part of a certain college or department, or is automatically billed for services they do not use.

Elizabeth Schaller, University of Missouri-Kansas City graduate, discussed the fees she was required to pay despite not knowing about them beforehand and not utilizing the services.

“It wasn’t until we had to pay the first tuition payment that I knew such fees existed,” Schaller said. “I figured there might be something for labs, but definitely not to that extent. I was charged for the recreation center that I only used twice outside of class in my three years going there, and I never once used the transportation or health center that I was charged for.”

In her spring semester, Schaller was charged a total of \$85.30 in fees for services she either did not use or used minimally.

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'The Godfather' shows family values, morals

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So...I have a confession to make, and I'm not very proud of it. I, Haley Vickers, am extremely movie deprived. A classic movie virgin. To be honest, most of the movies people watch, I haven't even heard of. My fellow Missourian staff members are beyond embarrassed by my lack of common knowledge of the great films I am so helplessly missing out on. So, for purely educational purposes, they are feeding me a "classic movie" every week to watch.

These are the films you curl up with late at night and watch over and over again as you eat ice cream straight from the tub. Or at least that's what I picture myself doing in the near future.

So, after 19 years of being completely ignorant of these movie masterpieces, my time is now.

I supposedly just watched the greatest film ever made, and the only thing I have to say is: family over everything.

"The Godfather," released in 1972, is based on the novel by the same name published in 1969. The film stars Marlon Brando (Vito Corleone, or "The Godfather"), Al Pacino (Michael Corleone) and James Caan (Sonny Corleone).

This oversized Italian family is no average gang, though. The movie begins at the daughter's wedding. Everyone is happily celebrating the big

event, except Vito, the godfather. He is in and out of his office attending to his private business.

It doesn't take long for viewers to figure out what is going on based on the way everyone is sucking up to Vito and serving to him like he's king of the coop.

Violence, violence, violence. It's juicy and spectacular. The creepiest part of the movie for me was toward the beginning when a head of a beautiful horse is chopped off and placed in the owner's bed, drenched in blood. Oh, it's great...and disgusting, but great.

One downside to this movie however, is the runtime. Two hours and 55 minutes! Are you kidding me? This was the longest movie I've ever watched, and I don't know if I could do it again. I barely survived.

About halfway through the movie, Vito is shot five times in the back, while buying fruit in the street. This leaves the sons of the family to be on top of things, not only for their own safety but for their family's wellbeing.

Michael, who hasn't been involved with the family business in decades, steps up to the plate. He protects his family by killing two people who are after them, and runs to Sicily to protect himself, leaving his lover, Kay, in the dust.

Some of the events that occur in Sicily are a little blurred due to the fact that all the actors are speaking Italian. But I viewed Italy as a majestic, wonderful escape for Micheal, until his Sicilian wife is blown to pieces with a



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bomb planted by enemies of Michael's family.

As the action and drama continues, the godfather dies, and Michael takes over the family's affairs. And in a full circle, Michael becomes godfather to his sister's baby. Ta duh.

The movie is concluded with an act that I thought should have happened way earlier in the film: Michael has the sister's husband killed. This was the only death throughout the movie that I didn't have a big issue with. After he lied, beat his wife and was just a skanky man, I was glad to see him go bye-bye. Good riddance, man.

In my opinion, this cannot be the best movie ever made. Yes, it was in-

teresting. Lots of blood and perfectly believable acting, but personally, I like a little humor with my movies.

I do look forward to seeing the sequels, "The Godfather II" and "The Godfather III." Maybe they will shed more light on this family and the mess they are in.

Rating: 4/5

Starring: Marlon Brando, Al Pacino, James Caan

Awards: Best Picture, Best Actor, Best Adapted Screenplay

'Noah' took another angle for religious fans to ponder, explore



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Darren Aronofsky breathes new life into the biblical genre with his latest movie, the Biblical epic "Noah," Some may not find the changes he made to the story appealing, but its hard not to see and appreciate his efforts.

With Russell Crowe as the titular Noah, along with Jennifer Connelly, Emma Watson and Anthony Hopkins, "Noah" is loosely based on the story of Noah's Ark. "Loosely" being the key-word.

With the original text leaving a lot of blanks to be filled, director Aronofsky had to take some creative steps to flesh out the film. Essentially, most of the film is exposition to fill in the gaps in the story and to give it a more complex narrative. However, only so much

could be done with the story.

That being said, the storyline is very well constructed. Given that the story originated in the Old Testament, the director and writers did well to keep the story coherent, as well as add new material to make the story compelling. Some people may not find all the changes satisfying, particularly people who expected the film to be completely faithful to the original story.

The acting is compelling, with Russell Crowe continuing the trend of putting his all into his roles. Not to spoil anything, but when you see Crowe trying to kill a person, you see the fire and pain in his eyes as he commits to it. I must also say it is nice to see Anthony Hopkins again, especially in a role where he gets to show his emotional range.

The visual effects are stunning as well. The CGI used is leaps and bounds

better than it was years ago, with the water effects looking insanely realistic. Aronofsky's directorial flair also shows in the film as well. Very stark, blinding light, darkness that seems to creep off the screen and silence are all used to perfect dramatic effect.

"Noah" is a different spin on a classic story, and it shows that Biblical films are allowed a certain degree of artistic license. With a captivating story, superb acting and effects that convey destruction and beauty, it is a film that needs to be seen to be believed.

Rating: 4/5

Starring: Russell Crowe, Emma Watson

Release date: March 28, 2014

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Skrillex’s ‘Recess’ reveals wild side

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Brace your ears for more guttural bass frequencies because Skrillex is back.

Say what you will about Skrillex, there is no denying the man knows how to make successful records. However, despite years atop music charts as the face of popular electronic dance music, until “Recess” he had not released a full length LP.

Skrillex’s sound has clearly evolved exponentially beyond the predictable, growling dubstep with which he gained notoriety.

Skrillex is known for having lead the pack of DJ’s acting as musicians responsible for the derivative of electronic dance music, that called itself dubstep but became known in many circles as “brostep.”

This derogative term pokes fun at the idea that the stars of this genre became successful by deliber-

ately commercializing the music and therefore destroying its character. If not affected by the naysayers, Skrillex makes it known that he is at least aware of them with the opening track title “All is Fair in Love and Brostep.”

As with all his other work, “Recess” is mostly instrumental. However the vocalists who are featured shine brighter than on past releases.

Guest vocalists give a Jamaican vibe, and Skrillex proves himself capable of giving electronic music more swing than you’d expect it to have.

The track “Dirty Vibe” is all hip-hop though, with lyrics like “Middle finger up so high, I’ve got that dirty vibe” and a beat begging to be rapped to.

The songs are less about the aggressive bass drops Skrillex has fancied in the past, and more about the dance. One standout track “Coast is Clear” features acclaimed MC Chance the Rapper crooning over what sounds like ‘90s R&B on steroids.



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Skrillex’s rising fame and talent have landed him a number four rank on the Billboard Top 200 albums this week for “Recess.”



Rating: 3/5
Artist: Skrillex
Album: “Recess”
Release Date: March 18

THE STROLLER: Your Man needs you to set your priorities

Excuse me, but Your Man does not understand some people. You guys are grinding my gears, and I’m on my last nerve. We have four weeks left of this semester. FOUR. And one week of finals, of course.

You seniors, that’s right, I’m talking to you, Mr. I Don’t Have A Job Yet, three weeks. If you can do math, you know that’s 21 days, weekends included.

Your Man has seen his fellow peers watching movies, “partying it up,” picking their noses, “just chillin’” and just downright sitting around dillyng their lives away.

Are you kidding me? Right now is crunch time, ladies and gents. Your parents tell you on the phone, “Give it your all, sweetie” and “suck it up and finish strong” while you’re crying about your pathetic grades. They’re right. Just do it. Please, don’t make Your Man beg.

And the majority of you wasting your time have “D’s for degrees.” But trust me, honey, at the end of the day, those scores aren’t going to cut it in the real world.

I know it’s college, and you want to have fun. Trust me, Your Man gets out once in a blue moon. But now is not the time for whatever you crazy students do nowadays for “fun.”

It’s library time. It’s flashcard/textbook time. It’s 2 a.m. “can’t study anymore, can’t read another word or I’m going to have an aneurysm” time.

That’s the reason you’re here! Not to have an aneurysm, but to study and better yourself and gain some type of knowledge.

So, for the love of baby Jesus, pay attention in class for the next couple weeks. Yes, it’s boring, Your Man understands, but put your phone down. You just need to do this. You have to pull those grades up, my friends.

Not to mention I’m downright tired of hearing you all complain.

And to the few of you who are satisfied with your grades, congrats. But big freaking whoop, you still need to listen.

The next time Your Man sees someone texting their significant

other in class with a ton of heart emojis and mushy crap, I might, just might, slap your hand and throw a temper tantrum like I’m two in the middle of the lecture.

I’ll cause a complete scene and you know Your Man is not afraid to embarrass himself.

C’m on, guys. We are supposed to be adults. Let’s start acting like it. Adults focus, at least the mature ones try. So, let’s pull up our boot straps and put on a big grin and try our best.

Stop doing stuff to waste your time. Open a book or something. There are nice words in there that are calling your name and stuff.

Now, I’m not trying to be your mommy. But, I will be bossy and nag you just like her.

Memorize something, do your work, because before you know it, it’s finals time. And Your Man doesn’t get along well with failures.

The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.

WHAT’S HOT

National Anthem Girl

On May 24, Janine Strange, better known as “the national anthem girl,” will perform at Mozingo Lake. She hopes to sing in every state by September.

New Art on the Square

City Council selected three new sculptures for the square. The sculptures are 12-foot high abstractions of people by Leslie Bruning, who is in partnership with Sioux Falls Sculpture Walk Program.

“Frozen”

This new Disney hit has been all the rage in the last few weeks. Not to mention the “Frozen Soundtrack” that is No. 1 on the Billboard op 200.

WHAT’S NOT

Jokes Taken Too Far

Comedian Nick Cannon took a joke too far on Instagram, posing with white makeup on his face. The caption read, “It’s official...I’m white!!!”

Sports a Girl’s Ring

Johnny Depp was caught wearing an engagement ring at his promotion for his new film, “Transcendence.” But, this wasn’t just any engagement ring, it was a girl’s. If anyone can pull it off, it’s Johnny, I guess...

Sick Baseball Boys

Over Spring Break, a majority of the team randomly got sick while traveling to games. Some of them were so sick they couldn’t even play. Feel better boys!



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MARYVILLE’S DEFENSE FALTERS IN HOME OPENER



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Junior pitcher Jarret Cronin comes off the mound in his pitching motion in the Spoofhounds 17-3 loss to Benton Monday. Maryville will take on Lafayette at home at 4:30 tonight.

OPENER

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“We get down on ourselves too quick. We get two strikes on us and freak out instead of realizing we have to hit with two. We have to be able to do those things. “I thought we came out ready to hit the baseball. Wheeler is a great pitcher ... one of the better

ones in the conference. We can’t do that defensively and expect to stay in the game.” Junior pitcher Jarret Cronin went 2-for-3 at the dish with an RBI, while no other Spoofhound was able to get into the multi-hit club. Fighting through a 25 mile-per-hour wind blowing out toward left field, Cronin gave up eight hits and 10 runs in three

innings of work while striking out five. The win for the Cardinals was the first win of the season for Benton after falling to Pembroke Hill in their opener. With the first game of the season in the books, Maryville has an outline on what it needs to improve on before taking the field at 4:30 tonight against the Lafayette Fighting Irish on their

home field. “We need to improve on our hitting, keep getting hot, string things together, get runs in, obviously, and again, make plays on defense,” Houchin said. “That is what is going to keep us in these ball games. “Our first game, obviously, there are good things. First game or not, we have to make plays. Plain and simple.”

SISTERS

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Torri Blythe said even what seemed to be the most infinitesimal pieces of advice from her sister helped in year one as a collegiate athlete – how practices run, how the weightlifting program works and even what to eat before games. “She’s really brought me along,” Torri Blythe said. “She’s kind of helped me realize what’s going on before anybody else ... She’s made me feel really comfortable here.”

Anderson and both sisters echoed the value and importance of the Blythes exceptional relationship – it’s helped them both get to the position they’re in today. “I kinda showed her the ropes and guide her, make sure she’s on top of things,” Paige Blythe said. “I just told her to really get to know the girls because you spend a lot of time with them. Just always try your hardest, and Coach will see those kind of things.” The Blythes’ tight-knit bond has continued its exponential growth ever since Torri stepped on campus in Au-

gust. “Paige and I have always been close, even when we were younger,” Torri Blythe said. “She’s always been my best friend and I think being away from home has brought us closer because now that we’re away, we rely more on each other. It’s nice to have that connection with her now that we’re both in college.” Northwest fell in both games of a twinbill against No. 25 Truman State, 1-0 and 4-1, Tuesday afternoon. Paige Blythe pitched the sixth inning without allowing a single baserunner in her 12th appearance of the season.

In order for Paige Blythe’s numbers to climb back where she and the Bearcats need them, that relationship, and its competitive advantages, will factor into the equation. “We’ve always been pretty competitive with each other,” Torri Blythe said. “We both want each other to do well and we’re always trying to outdo the other one. We’ve always been very competitive; we’re a very competitive family.” The Bearcats are planted firmly in the middle of the pack in the MIAA at 14-18, 7-7 in conference play. Paige and Torri Blythe will continue to play

key roles for a team fighting for position as the second half of 2014 unfolds. With Northwest slated to play two home series this weekend, starting with Fort Hays State at noon Saturday, Torri Blythe has an opportunity to return the favor and give older sister a hand. “I’ve always told Paige that she needs to stay in that circle ‘cause I’ll be right behind her backing her up,” Torri Blythe said. “She doesn’t have to move – all she has to think about is pitching, and I’ll be there for her if she needs it.”

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MIAA STANDINGS		
	Overall	MIAA
Central Mo.....	22-10	19-5
Central Okla.....	22-7	17-7
Emporia St.....	19-11	14-10
Lindenwood.....	14-7	11-9
Mo. Southern.....	19-12	13-11
Nebraska Kearney.....	19-12	13-11
Washburn.....	13-13	13-11
NORTHWEST.....	16-13	11-10
Mo. Western.....	15-14	11-11
Southwest Baptist.....	14-16	11-12
Northeastern St.....	14-18	10-14
Pitt. St.....	13-18	10-14
Fort Hays.....	9-18	8-16
Lincoln.....	1-23	0-20

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Fort Hays at Central Okla.
Mo. Southern at NORTHWEST
Mo. Western at Lincoln
Emporia St. at Washburn

MHS BASEBALL		
MEC STANDINGS		
	Overall	MEC
Savannah	2-0	1-0
Benton.....	1-1	1-0
Smithville.....	2-1	0-0
Lafayette.....	0-0	0-0
Bishop LeBlond.....	0-0	0-0
Cameron.....	2-3	0-0
Chillicothe.....	1-2	0-1
MARYVILLE.....	0-1	0-1

April 3:
Lafayette at MARYVILLE
Benton at Smithville
Chillicothe at Bishop LeBlond

NW SOFTBALL		
MIAA STANDINGS		
	Overall	MIAA
Emporia St.....	30-7	10-0
Central Okla.....	27-9	15-1
Fort Hays.....	22-13	11-5
Northeastern St.....	24-14	10-6
Central Mo.....	20-14	8-6
Washburn.....	16-15	8-6
Mo. Western.....	22-14	7-7
NORTHWEST.....	14-18	7-7
Lindenwood.....	12-15	6-6
Nebraska Kearney.....	8-20	6-10
Pitt. St.....	17-17	4-8
Mo. Southern.....	10-24	2-8
Southwest Baptist.....	9-21	2-12
Lincoln.....	3-24	0-14

April 4:
Northeastern St. at Central Okla.
Southwest Baptist at Lindenwood
Central Mo. at Lincoln
Emporia St. at Pitt. State
Fort Hays at Mo. Western

MHS GIRLS’ SOCCER		
MEC STANDINGS		
	Overall	MEC
MARYVILLE.....	3-0	2-0
Smithville.....	4-1	1-0
Savannah.....	1-0	1-0
Bishop LeBlond.....	1-0	0-0
Chillicothe.....	1-2	0-1
Cameron.....	0-1	0-1
Lafayette.....	0-2	0-1
Benton.....	0-2	0-1

April 3:
MARYVILLE at Savannah
Excelsior Springs at Chillicothe

UNIONS

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injured, he would still have financial ability to remain in school. The NCAA “purists” who think things should remain the same as they were in the “old days” should turn on a TV. The NCAA, in its beginning, was a way for athletes to get a college education while the university made some money. Now, with billion-dollar TV deals and conference and team networks, the NCAA has transformed into a lavish farm system for the pros, while the athletic department gets rich. Northwestern football generated \$235 million and \$76 million in profit after expenses in a span of nine years. That’s just Northwestern—a subpar Big Ten program. Programs like Ohio State, Alabama, Texas and Notre Dame make that in one year. With all the money floating in the air, players should be able to get their piece of the pie, since they are the ones who actually do the work.

The possible problems that arise when collegiate players unionize are the players demanding control over how their academics and athletics will be intertwined. If the union wants the guaranteed scholarships, it would be unfair for them to demand that they only have classes after noon and before three so they can be rested to recover from injuries, but be gone early enough to make it to practices. That would involve professors having to bend class schedules and even make new curriculums to abide the wishes of the union. Although that is a hypothetical situation, that is a realistic wish, because adding in film study and practice, that’s an eight-hour work day, which could be a union demand.

The point of the union is not to make the student-athletes millions, rather give them some financial stability and have them be able to live comfortably, because so many people are millionaires and are living in mansions because of the work student-athletes put in. I don’t believe the union is being greedy, and I believe it’s a necessary step toward fixing a broken system. There are lots of details to be ironed out: if all sports will receive the same amount of extra money, if smaller schools get the same benefits—although they do not drive a surplus over \$70 million—and what exactly the union feels is a fair work schedule. The unions and the NCAA need to concentrate on three things that are solvable with that excess money—education, health and cash. Offer a five-year scholarship, extensive health care that goes past graduation for injuries suffered while participating in school and give bigger scholarships with “walking-around” money included. Those three things may not fix all the needs of athletes, but it is a solid foundation to start on and could lead to an NCAA that is not viewed as the monster eating up and spitting out teenagers.

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Senior Ashton Reuter targets the goal during a shooting drill at practice Tuesday March 18.

Soccer blows out 1st 3 regular-season foes

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Just three games into the season, and the dominance is already on display.

Head coach Dale Reuter and the Maryville girls soccer team are out to a 3-0 start, outscoring their opening trio of opponents 26-1.

“I’m very pleased with where we’re at right now,” Reuter said. “ ... We’re just playing well as a team. You’ve got to be pleased with that, as a coach.”

The Spoofhounds took down Lafayette 8-0 Tuesday for win No. 3, displaying their control in each facet of the game.

Sophomore forward Mollie Holtman netted four goals, and senior Ashton Reuter scored two of her own. Each of the two elite Spoofhounds added an assist as well.

While a goal differential, such as the one Maryville owns, requires more than a one-sided approach, both sides of the ball - offense and defense - have shown their worth early on.

Dale Reuter said he is not happier with one side or the other, but noted that the defense is firing on all cylinders, as his goalkeepers only had to make two saves Tuesday.

“Right now, I’m very pleased with how the defense is really being very stingy,” Dale Reuter said. “ ... It’s a testament to that defensive line that they just keep the ball off our goalkeeper.”

The Spoofhounds travel to Savannah today for their third road showing in a row. Maryville shelled the Savages 8-0 and 10-0 in two matchups last season.

Dale Reuter said he expects to grab a victory this afternoon, but that his team still has room to grow.

“We’re playing good ball; we’re just not playing to our best potential,” Dale Reuter said. “It is early in the season, but we can’t just rely on what we’ve been doing right now. We need to continue to move forward.”

“There’s some things you can always work on. In that pursuit of perfection, you’re always chasing that.”

Kickoff is slated for 5 p.m. this afternoon at Savannah.

Tennis battling rain for opener

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Barring another rainout, the Maryville boys’ tennis team will finally kick off its season this afternoon.

First-year head coach Nicole McGinness believes the team may have to wait for Friday, as today’s forecast calls for bad weather. McGinness said she is frustrated with the way the weather has derailed the start of the season.

“I think we are going to have to work that much harder because (other MEC teams) already have matches finished, and we have not even had one,” McGinness said. “So I think that is going to make us work harder, so we can prove what we can do.”

If the Spoofhounds do not get

a chance to play their match today, they take on Farmington in Columbia on Friday, where they play at a neutral court. The ‘Hounds will only take their varsity athletes to Friday’s match.

“They are 3-0 right now,” McGinness said. “It will be a tough match, but I think it will be good competition, and I’m excited to see what we can do.”

“I would like to see them, as far as individuals, to play to their potential, and we have been working on doubles a lot as well. I’m hoping they can play well with their partner. The key is communication. They have to always be talking to their partner, so they can perform to the best of their ability.”

While the Spoofhounds ended their season last year with a 3-9 record, McGinness was not on the coaching staff. McGinness is ready

to kick off the season, whenever that may be, so she can see the team’s five returning varsity players in action.

“I am excited to actually see them in a match,” McGinness said. “I think we are going to do great things this year. All five starters from last year are back this year, and they all look great, so I am excited to see what we can do.”

Despite the ‘Hounds finishing 3-9 last season, McGinness set some lofty expectations for her team for the 2014 season.

“I think, this year, one of the expectations is to win districts, so they are going to work really hard to get that,” McGinness said. “That should be no problem if they play to the best of their abilities.”

Golf finishes 2nd on home course

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Following its first outing of the year Wednesday, the Maryville boys’ golf team heads to Savannah April 7 with varsity spots still open.

Head coach Brenda Ricks plans to take 13 golfers to the greens in Savannah and will evaluate each golfer before choosing the final roster spots.

Senior Dustin Wolters and sophomore Hunter Hayes have their spots locked up, and junior Hagen Snow, who competed at the varsity level last year, will likely occupy a third spot. But the final two spots are up in the air, according to Ricks.

“The verdict’s still out there,” Ricks said. “I plan on looking at how they do in competition Monday, and I’ll plan on making a decision then.”

“I haven’t been in this position before. It’s usually fairly cut and dry on who’s going to start. But I think I can probably pretty easily figure out Monday (who will play varsity).”

The Spoofhounds finished second to Bishop LeBlond Wednesday at Mzingo Golf Course behind strong play from Wolters and Hayes in the Maryville Tournament.

The tournament, intended by Ricks to be a talent-assessment day, used ‘best ball’ scoring.

Two players from each team pair up to shoot each hole and count their individual scores. Whichever player shoots a better score uses his finish toward the overall team score.

While just one of the player’s shots counts toward the team total, both scores are kept for individual finishes.

Hayes led Maryville with a score

of 82, slotting him in third place. Wolters placed sixth with a score of 86 and freshman Matt Twaddle rounded out the top 10 for the Spoofhounds with a score of 89, tying for ninth place.

LeBlond, which beat out the ‘Hounds for the district championship a year ago, finished with a team score of 142.

“I figured Bishop LeBlond would be our toughest competition there and in our district and sectionals,” Ricks said. “I wanted to see how we matched up with them, and I’d say, not factoring the weather, we played pretty well.”

The ‘Hounds came away with a team score of 163 in the seven-team competition, edging Savannah, which finished with a 168.

MARYVILLE GOLF TOURNAMENT TEAM BEST BALL RESULTS

LeBLOND	142
MARYVILLE	163
SAVANNAH	168
LAFAYETTE	171
MOUND CITY	188
TARKIO	205
W. NODAWAY	215

MARYVILLE GOLF TOURNAMENT INDIVIDUAL SPOOFHOUND RESULTS

HUNTER HAYES	82
DUSTIN WOLTERS	86
MATT TWADDLE	89
JONATHON ROUSH	92
JANSEN BUNDRIDGE	98

ATHLETES of the WEEK



BEARCATS

Eric McGlauflin



Although his four-bagger came in a 12-8 loss, senior third baseman Eric McGlauflin smacked his third home run of the season March 29 at Washburn.

Stephanie Mark



Junior first baseman Stephanie Mark came through in the clutch for the Northwest softball team, smacking two walkoff home runs against Pittsburg State and Missouri Southern.

SPOOFHOUNDS



Mollie Holtman



Sophomore forward Mollie Holtman led the Maryville soccer team to its third win of the season, an 8-0 victory over Lafayette, with four goals and one assist.

Ashton Reuter



Senior midfielder/forward Ashton Reuter tacked on two goals and one assist to help the Spoofhounds to their 8-0 shutout victory over the Irish Tuesday afternoon.

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Sports Briefs:

Cooper brings home multiple accolades

Senior guard DeShaun Cooper has followed up his MIAA Player of the Year honors with several different postseason awards.

After averaging 17.6 points per game through his final season, Cooper was selected to the National Association of Basketball Coaches All-America Team along with All-Region honors for the Central Region.

Cooper was named a Fourth-Team All-American by the Bulletin Division II.

Freshman forward Zach Schneider was selected to the Bulletin All-Freshman Team.

Ex-Bearcat inks deal with Bucs

According to Buccaneers.com, former Northwest tight end Josh Baker signed with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers Monday afternoon after sitting out 2012 and 2013 with a knee injury.

Baker tallied three catches for 27 yards and a touchdown in 2011 with the New York Jets before being released in 2013.

At Northwest, Baker caught 66 passes for 838 yards en route to an All-American season after transferring from Delaware in 2009.

Baker will be used as an H-back, switching back-and-forth from full-back to tight end in Lovie Smith's system.



Senior Zach Dixon jumps hurdles during practice. The next Northwest track meet is the Emporia State Combined Events April 10-11.

Track battles wind, weather at home

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The Northwest track team nails high marks despite poor weather conditions and looks forward to nationals.

With the mindset of hitting their marks and achieving their personal bests each meet, the Bearcats are still trying to push as many athletes as possible into the national championships.

"We are now starting to get into the serious part of the outdoor season, where every meet and all points and finishes count," head coach Scott Lorek said. "We just need to continue to compete well and see where the other schools sit at and what they have to offer."

High wind conditions altered some of the times and performances for some of the athletes, but senior Maryville native Seth Staashelm had no issues in the Northwest Herschel Neil Decathlon over the weekend.

Staashelm won the men's decathlon while racking up 6,611 NCAA provisional points. Having more than 700 points in five different events, Staashelm did not let the high winds affect his focus.

"Seth hit all of his marks and his points totals show that," Lorek said. "He performed very well, and his best event, I think, was the hurdles, where he ran a 16.14."

Other athletes who placed were senior Zeke Winans, who finished sixth with 5,700 total points, and sophomore DeAndre Thomas, who placed ninth overall with 5,054 total points.

On the women's side, senior Hannah Churchman finished as the top

"We are now starting to get into the serious part of the outdoor season, where every meet and all points and finishes count."

Scott Lorek

Bearcat in the Ashley Nally Heptathlon, coming in third place with 4,429 NCAA provisional points. Churchman had three events where she finished with 700 points or more.

Freshman Kaley Hauschild placed eighth overall with 3,756 total points, including racking up 828 points in the 200-meter sprint. Fellow freshman Bryn Matulka placed 13th for the Bearcats with 3,089 total points.

In St. Louis, Northwest had three participants in the 10,000 meter run at the Washington University Invitational.

Sophomore Nolan Zimmer placed third, qualifying for nationals, junior Drew Keefer placed fourth, missing qualifying by two seconds and junior David Nilges placed 20th.

"We had three people qualify this last weekend, which is great," Lorek said. "This next weekend, we want to have more people do the same thing, but still with the focus on hitting our marks and building from the past performances."

The Bearcats' next meets will be April 10 and 11 at Emporia State University in Emporia, Kan.

Golf tees off with top regional opponents in Arkansas

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Looking for a bounce-back effort, Northwest women's golf travels to Mountain Home, Ark., to compete in a tournament packed with Central Region foes.

Teeing off with eight of the top 10 teams in the region, senior Cassie Lowell said the Bearcats need to play exceptional golf to make strides in the rankings.

"Where we're sitting right now,

(in the Central Region), we know we have some work to do," Lowell said. "I know going into it, we're all going to have the mindset that we need to play our best in order to move up in those regional rankings."

Northwest is sitting in 12th place in the region, but is striving for a top-10 finish to ensure it can compete as a team during the regional tournament.

It is make-or-break time for the 'Cats, head coach Pat McLaughlin said, as the Henderson State Invitational has major postseason implications.

"We're running out of tournaments," McLaughlin said. "We have to play well in Arkansas if we have any chance of moving up in region as a team before the conference tournament."

"It's a big tournament for us as far as head-to-head if we want to make a move in the regional rankings, especially off of a weak performance at the St. Joe invite."

Northwest struggled in inclement weather at the Missouri Western

Invitational. Play was eventually suspended, and the Bearcats finished in 10th place out of 16 participants.

The Bearcats shot a 357, led by senior Kristina D'Angela, who tied for 14th after shooting an 83. Lowell shot an 87, tying for 31st overall. Arkansas Tech won the tournament behind a team score of 311.

"I really think we lost some focus," McLaughlin said. "It was Spring Break time, and I don't know if it was thoughts of Spring Break or going home or going off to do other things;

I'm not sure. But I thought we had a good practice round, and I was really perplexed with our performance."

Freshman Hannah Sears, who was slated in the third spot for the tournament, fell ill the day before the tournament. A scorecard error also impeded the Bearcats, resulting in a penalty stroke and disqualification of a score.

Northwest competes in the Henderson State Invitational April 7 and 8.



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SISTER ACT



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Sisters Torri Blythe (left) and Paige Blythe (right) have not played together for two years but after Torri Blythe signed to play at Northwest, the sisters were reunited between the lines for the Bearcats.

Blythe sisters pair back up on Northwest diamond

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Preparing to toe the rubber in any late-inning situation, Paige Blythe can peek over her left shoulder for quick encouragement from her second baseman. But this teammate isn't just any Bearcat, not just some other softball player lucky enough to don a college uniform. It's her little sister. It's a rare blessing and special occasion for a situation like that to present itself to siblings, and the Northwest softball team provides one of those cases. Junior pitcher Paige Blythe and freshman second baseman Torri Blythe are

living that dream. "We've gotten a lot closer being away from home and being on our own," Paige Blythe said. "We hang out a lot more; she comes over to my house. I'll cook her dinner every once in a while. I've gotta take care of my little sister." The Maysville natives descend from a family of Bearcats, including parents, grandparents and other relatives. Paige Blythe is an effective clean-up reliever, and Torri is a speedy table-setter at the top of head coach Ryan Anderson's lineup. "They're both playing big roles for us," Anderson said. "Whether it's Paige eating up innings, or defensively, offensively Torri making contributions there; we need them both."

Both Blythes said Northwest checked in early on as the heavyweight favorite for their future school, with Paige Blythe making the commitment first as a freshman in 2011. Torri Blythe, who carried heftier high school accolades with four all-state selections, chose to follow suit. "There was always that thought in the back of my mind, but I never thought we'd be playing together again," Paige Blythe said. "It's pretty exciting to know that we are for the next two years." While Paige Blythe is battling through a difficult start to her third collegiate season with a 5.51 ERA, Anderson said her experience in the bullpen remains a crucial asset.

The junior southpaw finished 2013 with a 5.07 ERA in 19.1 innings, sliding into her relief spot behind starters Jenna Creger and Abbie Vitosh. "She's really been helpful," Anderson said. "When she doesn't try to overthrow or blow it past people, she can get anybody out." Meanwhile, Torri Blythe lights up opposing pitchers as well as base paths. The first-year player carried her outstanding high school career into her freshman campaign, and is third in team batting average at .339 and first with 15 stolen bases in 16 attempts.

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'Hounds drop season opener

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After falling in its season opener against Benton, the Maryville baseball team will have to rely on defense and fundamentals to get into the win column. The Spoofhounds dropped the season opener via the 10-run mercy rule after the fifth inning in a 17-3 loss that included three errors. "We need to make plays when they are there to make," head coach Matt Houchin said. "There were a lot of times when there was two outs and two strikes. We just have to make a play. We had errors in the outfield—didn't catch balls." The Spoofhounds pieced together eight hits against Benton pitcher Dade Wheeler but left nine runners stranded on the basepaths. "That's one thing we talked about after (the game)—consistency," Houchin said.

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CODY SIMMONS | NW MISSOURIAN

Sophomore Keston Oltman braces for impact as he is hit by a pitch during the loss to Benton Monday.

Bearcats recoil from losses, hit season's midpoint

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The Northwest baseball team played a busy schedule in the last two weeks, closing out the first half of the season. The Bearcats played nine games in 10 days against three different teams, starting with MIAA opponent Fort Hays State (9-18, 8-16) March 21-23. Northwest split the four-game series, winning the first and third games of the weekend. Three days later, the team played its one non-conference game with Rockhurst (6-12), which it won easily, 10-3. Head coach Darin Loe was pleased with his team's ability to fight back after each loss.

"The guys just came out and played with energy and played with focus," Loe said. "They were able to do good things. That was good to see, and now, we just have to keep that rolling and do that on the weekends." In the most recent series, March 28-30, the team went against Washburn (13-13, 13-11), which resulted in losses in the first three games for the Bearcats. Northwest was able to close out the series with a 7-4 win to avoid a sweep. "I think, for whatever reason, the first two days our focus and our energy just wasn't where it needed to be," Loe said. "I think that was the key on Friday and Saturday. The guys made a great adjustment coming into Sunday, and you could see the

energy in our team changed, and we were able to pull out that last one." Northwest (16-13, 11-10) now is able to take a deep breath heading into April and the homestretch of its schedule. The Bearcats have a four-day rest before they gear up to play two of the MIAA's top teams, Missouri Southern (18-12, 13-11) and Central Missouri (22-9, 19-5). The tough slate starts with the Lions April 4-6 in Maryville. First pitch is scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday. With Northwest only two games back from being in the top five of the conference, senior outfielder Ryan Abernathy knows the keys for his team to end the season on a high note.

Unions spur debate over NCAA rules



All of college athletics are in a state of flux, and with the football team at Northwestern unionizing, progress is being made. The National Labor Relations Board gave former Northwestern quarterback Kain Colter and other former and current football players permission to unionize after declaring them University employees. According to Colter, their mission is simple—they want their health protected and bigger scholarships. It's about time. Athletic scholarships are renewed on a year-by-year basis, and what the union will want to do is make it a guaranteed four- or five-year scholarship. It puts a premium and emphasis on education that the NCAA needs. We've all seen the commercials that say, "Ninety-eight percent of student athletes go pro in something other than sports," and with a practice and game schedule that can add up to 40 hours a week, that puts a strain on athletes' ability to attain the degree they want. The extended scholarships would give athletes an extra year to attain their degree, and if an athlete is

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University policies cause setbacks in Humans vs. Zombies

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The zombie outbreak began in Towson, Md., and quickly spread to campuses across the United States. It hit Northwest about nine years ago and has infected more and more students every semester. Last December, though, University officials intervened in the epidemic known as Humans vs. Zombies.

Invented at Goucher College, the game Human vs. Zombies, called HvZ by participants, has been played with Nerf blaster guns and foam darts with an increasing amount of

players each semester. But at Northwest, the guns have been causing problems around campus.

Clarence Green, University police chief, said the game has the characteristics of the “Run, Hide, Fight” video released last year.

“We put out that ‘Run, Hide, Fight’ video last year, and it talked about a lot of things that the profile of a shooter would do,” Green said. “These folks were exhibiting all of the characteristics of the video.”

Last fall, the University received several complaints, emails and phone calls from faculty members,

students and people who had no affiliation with the University about the use of the blasters.

Matt Baker, vice president of student affairs, said the number of complaints about the blasters made the University change its policy on the use of Nerf guns on campus.

“Last fall, during the semesterly actives, we had a tremendous number of phone calls (about) something they had seen,” said Baker. “We had three or four calls, from terrified community members that said ‘this scared me to death and shook me to my core.’”

The rule went into effect in December when both parties met to discuss how the game could be safer and not as terrifying to non-players. Chelsey Clark, president of HvZ at Northwest, could see why the University would want to out the blasters.

“The University banned the blasters because they were afraid of non-players calling in to the police about an active shooter that was on campus,” Clark said. “It is a very real possibility these days that one of our players could be mistaken for an active shooter, and we didn’t want to

take that risk.”

Both parties seemed to meet in the middle. The University, along with Campus Safety, and the players agreed that the use of the blasters would end, and they would find a safer alternative, says Green.

“University Police had the position of in the middle,” Green said. “We didn’t want blasters used on the main campus. We agreed that they’d use socks instead.”

The game has changed for now for humans and zombies at Northwest, but the game lives on, with or without blasters.

Academy student Marinaro named to Missouri Scholars

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School can be stressful, tedious and challenging. It can be hard to maintain focus, but one Missouri Academy of Science, Mathematics and Computing student consistently stayed on track and earned recognition for it.

Rose Marinaro, a second-year student at the Academy, was named to the 2014 Missouri Scholars 100 list. The program, sponsored by the Missouri Association of Secondary School Principals, annually honors 100 of Missouri’s top high school graduating seniors.

“It’s pretty cool,” Marinaro said. “I never considered myself one of the top 100 in the state.”

Even though this came as a surprise to Marinaro, others were not so shocked. Cleo Samudzi, dean of the Missouri Academy, submitted Marinaro’s name for the award because he knew she fit the bill perfectly.

“Rose deserves this honor because she is hard-working, positive in her interaction with others, very productive in her extracurricular activities and leaders, and she is very smart,” Samudzi said in a University press release.

Each school can submit a certain number of nominees based on the size of its student body. Students must meet the criteria of an “Academic Decathlon,” which consists of 10 assessments of the student’s academic strength. The student must have a grade-point average of at least



Rose Marinaro

3.75, score a minimum of 29 on the ACT or 1,900 on the SAT, be ranked in the top 10 percent of her class and have taken upper-level courses.

Marinaro does a good job of keeping herself busy while attending the Academy. She actively participates in the Future Business Leaders of America, Model United Nations and is the co-president of Disco Diversity Club. The Disco Diversity Club is a group made up of Academy students that helps showcase the variety of cultures present at the Academy.

After graduating this May, Marinaro plans to study chemical engineering and business. She is not sure what she envisions for a future yet, but she said the Missouri Academy gave her a lot of great opportunities to better prepare her for her.

“Being at the Academy, being around other people who are academically motivated, it really helped me realize my goals and it pushed me even harder, Marinaro said.”

Carol Marinaro, Rose’s mother, said education has always been a part of her daughter’s life that she has enjoyed and excelled at.

“School has always come very easy to her,” Carol said. “She has always been a great student. She always really wanted to learn. We are very proud of her going off to the Missouri Academy and being successful there.”

Academy students Anna Bowden and Sarah Minkler were nominated for the Missouri Scholars 100 from their sending schools and both received honorable mention.



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Northwest students take part in Hatha yoga class. The classes take place Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 p.m. in Martindale Hall.

Hatha yoga retreat set for April 12

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If you are looking for something new to do this semester at Northwest, look no further than the second annual Hatha yoga retreat.

The retreat will take place at the J.W. Jones Student Union. The session will feature six instructors, including Rhonda Lesley and Mike Mattock of Northwest’s Personal Development and Counseling Services.

New studies show that Hatha yoga is gentle and can be mastered easily for relaxation, balance, strength and flexibility. Studies also

show that yoga helps the immune system, as well as with emotional issues and stress management.

According to a Northwest press release March 28, “Hatha Yoga also improves physical symptoms, such as high blood pressure, muscle and joint stiffness, insomnia, low back pain and more.”

Many participants have reported having better physical and mental wellness and relaxation after experiencing just one of these Hatha yoga sessions. The event might challenge you both physically and mentally, but it will also give new meaning to the phrase ‘no pain, no gain.’

Sat., April 12
9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Registration for the retreat costs \$45 and is open to the public. Participants are asked to bring their own yoga mats and pillow since none will be provided.

To register or learn more about the retreat sessions and instructors, visit www.nwmissouri.edu/counseling/yoga/.

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An unsafe home is removed on the corner of Eighth Street and Walnut Street last year. The City Council made it one of the yearly goals to remove blighted housing near campus and throughout the rest of Maryville.

City Council goals examined as terms end, begin with election

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With Maryville City Council elections coming up April 8, the Missourian decided to take a comprehensive look at the goals the council assigns itself each year.

The council's goals are divided into six targeted areas: creating attractive recreational opportunities, providing well-maintained streets and infrastructure, fostering diverse growth and economic development, ensuring quality neighborhoods, maintaining a safe community and establishing collaborative relationships with educational partners.

One of the recreational opportunities the council hoped to foster was attracting a financial investor to build and operate a lodge and restaurant at Mozingo Lake Recreation Park. The city sent out a request for proposals last year, but the city received no responses.

"This was to get the conversation started," said Ryan Hieland, assistant city manager. "We want to keep moving forward and keep contacts open."

Hieland said the city conducted a feasibility study on what the facilities should realistically consist of. A "wish list" was put together that consisted of a 70-room lodge, conference center and restaurant.

Hieland said this could be a long-running project for the city.

Another one of the council's goals was to foster economic growth. City officials worked to provide incentives for investment in their vacant storefronts.

"A lot of those national tenants that are located in there have certain site specifications and build-out costs, and so in order to close out those cost gaps for a developer, there are a lot of tools a city can use to do that," City Manager Greg McDaniel said.

One example of this is a 1 percent self-imposed tax to finance improvements in the Mary Mart Shopping District. City officials also built a \$50,000 water line on Icon Road to help bring an assisted living facility to the community, which McDaniel said brings a service to the community, economic development and jobs, even though it is not a commercial space. The facility has not launched an official name for the site but is owned by Clearpath Senior Holdings.

The council decided to allocate \$75,000 to identify and remove blighted and unsafe housing throughout the community. City officials identify three homes at a time for removal and must seek approval from the state board code of appeals before they are demolished. The most recent time this was done, all three of the property owners took charge of the structures themselves rather than leave it to the city.

After the housing is removed, the property usually remains in the original owners hands. Sometimes, but rarely, the city places a lien on the property, which must be fulfilled or it is sold at a county tax sale. The city can also work out a deal with the owners to acquire the property. The last time this happened, the property was donated to the Maryville R-II School District for the home of a future technical school.

The city implemented the Campus Town Redevelopment Incentive Program to incentivize redevelopment near the Northwest campus. These property owners can have poor housing structures removed for reduced fees. Three structures were removed in the past year, and all three have plans for redevelopment.

"Really, that is what we want to happen because it enhances the tax base; it provides higher quality student housing," McDaniel said. "Those programs are working."

The council will revise its list of goals after its priorities are updated as part of the annual budgeting process in June.

Maryville High School makes course changes for new academic year

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Maryville High School students have the opportunity to explore new topics more in-depth with added courses for the 2014-2015 calendar school year.

Changes to the course guide include a new course titled Germany and the Holocaust, the discontinuation of Geography, the addition of an advanced placement psychology class and the discontinuation of applied physics and ACT prep.

"We made some changes within the social studies department, adding two new classes, as a result of the social studies department wanting to mix it up and offer some new elective options," MHS counselor Becky Houchens said. "They've seen increased interest in Holocaust and German history, so they just felt like new offerings that our students would be interested in."

Other changes include the approval of an AP psychology class and the offering of chemistry II for the first time, both in an effort to continue offering more challenging classes for students.

"As far as the science, we are always looking to add more upper level classes... in order to make room for

"We are always looking to add more upper level classes"

Becky Houchens

that, we dropped applied physics," Houchens said. "We just didn't have a high enrollment in that class."

Assistant Superintendent Steve Klotz said discontinuation of classes, specifically the ACT prep course, would not affect students' ability to prepare for standardized tests.

"The rationale behind not offering that course is due to lack of enrollment," he said. "The students who are potentially trying to prepare for the ACT haven't used that course. Other classes that we offer integrate into their curriculum test prep."

Houchens summed up these changes by explaining they were mainly due to a drift in student interest and desire to provide more diversity within electives and the effort to continue providing higher education for the students.

New organization seeks business improvements, increased traffic downtown

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Stroll through downtown Maryville and you may walk a few blocks before encountering a single person.

One businessman and his newly-founded organization are looking to change the scenery of downtown to make the area the city's place to be.

Matt Gaarder, owner of Rapid Refill in Maryville, is the founder of the Maryville Downtown Improvement Organization. The main goal of the organization is to get more people into Maryville's downtown area, a part of an initiative that has not been filled since 2007.

"Several years ago, Maryville was a part of the state of Missouri's DREAM initiative where the state came in, took a look at the community and drew a boundary for what is now considered the downtown area," Gaarder said. "The number one goal that came out of that initiative was to form a downtown organization."

Maryville was designated as a Missouri DREAM Community by Gov. Matt Blunt in August 2007. The DREAM initiative supports the revitalization and economic development of downtown areas of small- and medium-sized communities throughout Missouri.

MDIO as a nine member board that passed the organization's by-laws March 10. At a social last week, as many as 20 people expressed in-

terest in the community, and several other business owners are interested in being a part of the transition, according to Gaarder.

Keitha Clapp, owner of Maryville Florists, joined the organization with the hopes of filling more retail space and attract people to the downtown area.

"The last several years, we have lost a lot of our retail businesses, so we don't have as much walk-in traffic," Clapp said. "It's about getting businesses in, so we can stay in business."

The next step for the group will be registering as a non-profit organization with the state.

After growing a working relationship with the city, the group hopes to get into the Missouri Main Street Connection program, whose mission is to "enhance the economic, social, cultural and environmental well-being of historic downtown business districts in Missouri" through their revitalization strategies.

If able to match funds, MDIO could receive a grant to begin work in the future.


"There's obviously some skepticism because everybody knows there's going to be a lot of work involved," Gaarder said. "It's not something that will come overnight."

We're just hoping for some small victories early on, get some accomplishments done and then build off that."

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OUR VIEW

City councilors dictate future of Maryville community

While national mid-term election ballots won't be cast until November this year, the citizens of Maryville will cast a crucial vote on the future of their city council next week.

The election this Tuesday comes in the midst of a fairly tumultuous political climate by Maryville standards. The city council deliberates the \$10.25 million no-tax capital improvement bond that would go toward improvements to local schools. The bar age limit and other related alcohol ordinances are still hot-button issues that impact the Northwest campus and will definitely be considered by any Northwest students voting in the election.

Also, the city is still looking for a tenant to fill the huge economic vacancy the Energizer plant closure left. The potential for the city council to regain jobs lost due to the closure will likely be a main issue people vote on, as they should.

Both Tim Shipley and Rachael Martin present a youthful, much-needed addition to the city council here in Maryville. Both are Northwest alumni who have expressed a keen interest in interacting with the Northwest community. During the debate over alcohol ordinances before the city council, both constantly interacted with the local media, letting their opinions on the matter be known. Their stances on that issue save stu-



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN
The Maryville City Council hears testimony from concerned citizens regarding the debate over the increase in the bar admittance age Jan. 27.

dents' hope that their voices will be heard, considering that some current city councilors seemed to shrug off students' opinions during the debate over the proposed ordinances.

Adam Switzer, the other candidate running for office, is also a Northwest alumnus, and while he may present good ideas for the city,

his voice has been largely absent in the race for City Council. The Missourian cannot endorse a candidate who does not engage with the local media. Also, without a mouthpiece for his ideas, how can he expect to convince voters that he wants and deserves the job?

Many long-time Maryville resi-

dents may believe that Northwest students only care about alcohol and any vote in the election by students will only consider that issue. While the alcohol ordinances will have a significant impact, it will not be the only issue we vote on. We drive on the crumbling roads and we work in and patronize the local businesses. Stu-

dents want to see change in Maryville, just like everyone else, and we believe that Shipley and Martin present the best chance for that change to occur.

So get out and vote, Maryville. While this election may not have an immediate impact on your life here, you can be sure it will shape the direction the town for many years to come.

CAMPUS TALK

Should Northwest keep students living on campus for two years instead of one?



"I see that there is good intentions, but I can also see an ulterior motive to simply fill space."

Dallas Welch
Mathematics



"I don't see a lot of benefits from it. It's just forcing the students to pay more."

Katie Rosenkrans
Middle School Education



"If I was choosing colleges and one told me I would have to live on campus for two years, I would look elsewhere."

Miranda Diemeke
Biology/Psychology



"I don't like the idea. I moved off campus sophomore year because it was a much more affordable option."

Walter Elkins
Psychology



"I wouldn't want to live on campus for two years. After living in the dorms, you want your own space."

Nikki Kunken
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Obamacare needs to be modified, not thrown out



THOMAS DRESSLAR
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Americans are finally beginning to see the full effects of the most controversial piece of legislation passed in recent memory. Monday, the deadline for the 2014 open enrollment period came and went. Amidst the usual fear-mongering on television that comes up anytime the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is discussed, millions of uninsured Americans received quality health plans for the first time.

Now that the insurance plans are actually being doled out, real analysis of the potential success of this law can begin. However, before final judgment on Obamacare is made, Congress should work to fix portions of the law, rather than trying to throw out the entire law before we even know if it worked.

Since this law was passed in 2009, Republicans in the House of Representatives have voted to repeal Obamacare over 50 times. While these votes are largely symbolic, they do a great job

of riling up the general public to join them in their crusade. Public opinion polls regarding the Affordable Care Act almost always lean toward the negative. Certain portions of the law have been compared to Nazi Germany and scare tactics like the supposed "death panels" have led much of the public to dismiss the law without really thinking about it.

Much of the criticism of Obamacare is perfectly valid. The Obama administration had ample time to prepare the healthcare enrollment site before it launched, and its countless glitches are inexcusable. Some Americans are in a gap of sorts, where they aren't eligible for many federal subsidies, yet they have to pay a larger premium than before the ACA was passed.

These are all problems the government needs to tackle in its continuing efforts to roll out the provisions of the law. What you don't hear from the opposition to Obamacare is a sensible alternative to the healthcare law. They shout, "Repeal, repeal, repeal," but forget that the American healthcare system was in shambles before the ACA was passed.

According to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Develop-

ment (OECD), the U.S. spent \$8,233 on health per person in 2010. That's two-and-a-half times more than countries like France, Sweden and the UK spend (all of these countries have a universal healthcare system). Not only do we spend more than anyone else, the quality of our healthcare is worse than many other countries'. Insurance companies deny patients with pre-existing conditions coverage, leaving millions uninsured and without options.

The Affordable Care Act is not perfect, as the Obama administration would like you to believe. It is also not the most insidious law known to man, as many conservatives would like you to believe. The ACA is the best thing an intensely divided Congress could come up with in 2009. Conservatives thought the law went too far and liberals thought it didn't go far enough. The solution is simple: Democrats and Republicans need to work together to fix any portions of the law that are determined ineffective.

Obamacare may scare some, but it is much better than the system that was in place before. Millions of Americans, including many young adults here at Northwest, need peace of mind, and the refined Affordable Care Act will give it to them.

A minimum wage increase should not be ruled out



CODY UHING
Contributing Columnist

Increasing the minimum wage has been a long-debated topic in Washington and across the nation. What a minimum wage increase could do to our economy is more beneficial than allowing the free market to decide wages for workers. So we ask ourselves if the minimum wage increase is a good idea, and in my opinion, that answer is a resounding "yes."

That's not to say legislating market outcomes is a completely foolproof way to resuscitate a failing economy. Every basic Economics 1 textbook will lay out potentially disastrous outcomes from policies like rent control, and most people agree that setting a high minimum wage will cause many problems.

The great thing about the argument that is going on is that no one is proposing a ridiculously high minimum wage.

In the last half century, minimum wage has often lagged behind inflation. This means our national minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour is actually lower in real terms than it was in the 1980s by over a dollar, according to the Federal Reserve.

A common argument against raising the minimum wage is the threat of job loss. Our nation's state governments have provided case studies for economists regarding minimum wage increases. The Center for Economic and Policy Research published results of these experiments, and those results show little negative correlation between wage increase and employment.

There is no real answer as to why this is the case, but one begins to understand when they start seeing workers as human beings. Human relationships involved in hiring and firing are

much more complex than commodity markets. Workers are not bushels of wheat. So without the correlation between wage increases and job loss, we are left with hard-working Americans getting a much-needed increase in their salary.

Lastly, the economy is weak and the middle class is shrinking. A minimum wage increase would do a lot to stimulate the economy by putting money into the hands of the spenders. Wage increases would encourage work over welfare, reduce dependence on government programs and lift thousands out of poverty.

Raising the minimum wage to a level that is in line with inflation is both good economics and good politics. An increase is favored by an overwhelming majority of voters, both Democrats and Republicans. We owe it to workers who have squeezed out of the middle class to recreate the middle class and build a stronger economy for future generations.

Missouri ban on food stamps for drug offenders ultimately makes no sense



Dustin McMahon
Contributing Columnist

For almost 20 years, drug offenders in Missouri have been unallowed to receive food stamps from the state government. The concern is tied to incidents of the benefit cards becoming currency on the streets.

While the scenario is a valid concern, a much greater concern of the state should be the continued rehabilitation of drug offenders from prison back into normal life. The policies here in Missouri have the opposite effect.

Representative Rick Brattin, (R-MO.), wants a "no tolerance" policy applied to drug offenders and food stamps. He believes that the state must hold drug offenders accountable and make sure they don't fall back into their destructive lifestyle.

His words on accountability are important. These offenders do need to be held accountable for their actions. That is what the prison system is for. A person is found guilty of acting in a way that is contrary to social convention and law, and he or she is punished.

It does not follow, however, that upon completion of their prison sentence (or probation), the state should continue to punish these people. The few short months immediately after a person is released from prison is when they are most vulnerable to repeated offense.

Food stamps are a means for people to have the necessities that most take for granted. Programs like food stamps allow people who are not qualified for – or who cannot find – more well-paying jobs to sleep easily without the strain of lacking a basic necessity. Many people convicted of drug crimes fall into this category.

Alleviating the fear of where their next meal will come from is one step in a rehabilitation project which should be added to the docket for all newly-released offenders.

The punishment of a person should end at his or her release from the jail cell. It is not right for these people, who served their time, to continue to suffer for their poor decisions. Rather than making it harder for these people to be reintegrated into society, programs like food stamps can give them a bridge to a new life, free from the life of drugs and crime which they became accustomed to.

Social programs are not a means for people to cheat the government and gesture profanely to those of us who have the luxury of living or working where we want to. Many of us can't imagine the stress that comes with lacking necessities. We may live paycheck-to-paycheck, but social programs help people who can't get paychecks.

Without even minimal amounts of support, the rehabilitation effort after jail time will fail. We cannot block drug offenders from programs designed to give people a fighting chance at living the life we take for granted.

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BOXING

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The rhymes and rhythms do not overshadow the sounds of the group of hardworking young men.

The slap of a jump rope hitting the creaking wooden gym floor; the rattle of a speed bag hitting a boxers hand at speeds that would make you dizzy; the groan from taking a punch to the ribs, are the smallest examples of passion from a group of young men who have had their lives changed by the gym.

“A lot of times, it’s just a way to get off the street and build self-confidence. Boxing is such a unique, different sport that it really pushes the kid to really think about themselves and to challenge themselves,” Clarence Green said. “It takes them into deep waters where you normally don’t go inside of life and really learn how to push yourself through all types of things that’s going to make them be a success outside of boxing. Most of our kids don’t go on to box professionally... they become someone who helps the system...”

“If they can make it through a boxing match, they can get through life.”

Ask any boxer in the Muchenberger Center, and they will say it feels like a second home, like a second family, and serves as an alternate escape from life.

Clarence Green says the impact the club was making was his influence to throw a lump of his own money into the new gym.

“They’re just good kids looking for opportunities to learn about something, and I think they got a chance to change their whole life and their parents’ life just by doing something positive,” he said.

Clarence Green recalls a young man who came in the gym a few years ago and told him he had never eaten McDonald’s or Burger King, even though he walked past a Burger King every morning on his way to school. The young man had 14 brothers and sisters, and his family couldn’t afford to buy from the menu, he said.

FEES

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She was also charged \$211.20 for an Information Technology Fee. Similar to Northwest, Schaller’s fees were based on the credit hours she was enrolled in, and a breakdown in numbers revealed that while the information technology fee came to \$13.20, less than Northwest’s \$16 per credit hour, UMKC does not supply full-time students with laptop or the accompanying servicing program Northwest does.

In regards to incremental fees related to specific colleges or departments, Carrick explained the University did not seek out that information due to the specificity of the area a student is in.

“Photocopying’s going to be consistent, so those aren’t the kinds of fees I’m talking about,” she said. “Things like you have to pay to be a part of the business school, or you have to pay to be a part of the agricultural program; we don’t have things like that. If we have an incremental fee, you’re getting something out of it.”

Schaller did not have the same experience, paying an additional \$13.30 fee for a School of Education course fee. A mere \$13 might seem like small change, but with a total enrollment of 15,746 students last fall, that small change can add up fast.

“They really don’t do a fantastic job explaining what all the fees and charges are for,” Schaller said.

The same added fees occur at universities, such as Missouri Western, where costs known as discipline fees result in \$10 attached to education courses and \$25 attached to nursing courses.

Another large piece of Northwest’s affordability is attributed to the scholarships and discounts offered to students. Northwest uses the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, a benchmarking tool which Northwest is required to submit data to for regulatory purposes.

“When we go out and compare and look at that data... we (give) scholarships and discounts at a greater percentage than other institutions,” Carrick said. “When you couple that with being lower in cost, I think that’s where we do a great job of working with our students to make sure we’re providing an affordable education that’s quality education.”

He may just see a little bit of himself in that young man.

“I personally do not have a choice but to pay it forward. When I was a child, we did not have a pot to piss in or a window to throw it out of, but someone saw something in me that made them invest their time and talents,” Clarence Green later said in an email. “We see the same thing in all kids, and we want to make a positive impact on their lives.”

Finding a New Home

A vast majority of the members of Metro Boxing Club have stuck together for years. Rob Calloway used to run a boxing gym in St. Joseph, which Elijah Green and some of the near 50 boxers used to train.

When the gym shut down, the group gathered its equipment and migrated to “The Shop,” where was what Clarence Green described as a hole in the wall. The boxers were asked to move again when the owner of the motorcycle shop needed more storage space.

Prior to being kicked out of their makeshift gym, Redmond formed Metro Boxing Club in 2011. Now, with no place to train or continue this club, the city of St. Joseph happened to have the perfect home available.

Inside of the near 80-year-old Muchenberger Center now lies exercise equipment along with rows of hanging speed bags and punching bags, all centered around a \$5,000 state-of-the-art Ringside Boxing Ring.

That is twice the price of the gym. This is all thanks to Clarence Green, cutman Sam Gann, assistant coach Ron Cornelius and Redmond, who came together with a bid to buy the Muchenberger Center for \$2,500. Metro Boxing had leased the place since September of 2012 until St. Joseph City Council approved its sale in February.

“It meant a lot (for them to buy this new gym). The old gym was out of a garage; it wasn’t very nice, and it was small,” Elijah Green said. “This gym is

a lot bigger and more helpful.”

Thomas Huitt-Johnson, 22, says the addition of the ring is the biggest asset in preparation for Olympic Trials.

“We didn’t have this ring until we had a gym that was big enough,” Huitt-Johnson said. “It’s a real ring... I’m able to shadow box and spar in a real amateur and professional environment.”

Cross the train tracks off Interstate 229 and you would not imagine the Muchenberger Center is home to some of the best fighters in the country. Settled behind an abandoned “Sandlot”-esque baseball field and rusted playground, though, is where the hearts of the boxers lie.

“It’s like a second home to me,” Elijah Green said. “I can come here and just let all my emotions go and have fun.”

A Boxing-Rich Community

St. Joseph, Mo., is nestled north of Kansas City, an area in which many outside the community know nothing besides farming, small towns and football. However, boxing has some deep roots in St. Joseph and the Kansas City area.

Athletes at Metro Boxing Club know this.

Redmond, 34, is the brother-in-law of Rob Calloway, known as the “All-American Prizefighter,” who finished his career 72-13-2. Calloway’s son, Chase, 18, trains with Metro Boxing Club and has lived up to his father’s name, winning many Golden Gloves and looking forward to Olympic Trials.

Redmond fought as an amateur from age 12 until he turned pro in 2001. At that time, Redmond had began coaching and is now the leader for a young but successful group of athletes at Metro Boxing.

The gym has tasted its fair share of success in a short amount of time. Metro Boxing has witnessed as many as seven boxers ranked nationally at one time, with four currently in the top 10. Those rankings include Elijah Green, Huitt-Johnson and Sam Gann’s

son, Christopher Gann.

The athletes travel all around the country, weeks at a time; Kansas, Oklahoma, even Las Vegas. The club is preparing for the annual Kansas City Golden Gloves, which takes place at Memorial Hall April 10-12.

“We’re competitive when we go places. A few years ago we were the outstanding team at the Silver Gloves,” Clarence Green said. “We are very fortunate to have a great trainer such as Jason Redmond and give young kids an opportunity to do something with their lives.”

Not everyone has won a national title. Not everyone is a professional, or even an amateur. The amount of talent the gym possesses creates a cohesion and a family between the title winners and the athletes who come from the streets, looking to stay out of trouble or get a simple workout.

“I feel kind of blessed to be able to have that kind of talent on our team as well, let alone the new kids that are coming in... kids that aren’t even interested in being that competitive but just want to come be a part of the training and working out,” Redmond said. “We have a lot of kids who do it non-competitively.”

Clarence Green believes that Metro Boxing can help any athlete become successful, in or out of the ring.

“It’s a great thing for young kids to do... They can come in here and work-out and get some camaraderie with a group of people that have shared goals and a shared vision, and I think that’s what leads to success for them,” he said.

A Bold Message

Ask Clarence Green about his job at the gym, and he will say he serves as the water boy, recruiter and motivator. Elijah Green, who hopes to go to the Olympics one day, says his dad serves as the latter in particular.

“Every day he sends me motivational text messages about boxing... It has grown (our relationship.) We have bonded a lot from it,” he said.

Ask both Clarence and his son, and they will say their relationship has grown through boxing. Clarence Green sees evident growth in his son as well.

“He has done really well, but I think it has made him a better person also,” Clarence Green said. “He is really humble in life, and he doesn’t brag as much as I would like him to, and I think that’s just through boxing... He learned about himself and how to deal with things.”

While Clarence Green and the training staff continue to prepare and mold some of the best boxers in the country, nothing will change at Metro Boxing Club.

“We want to have good boxers, but I don’t think the skill in the boxing ring is our number one goal,” he said. “Them learning those life skills is our number one goal.”

The pungent stench of sweat in the brick-laid building reflects the attitudes of the young men in the ring. After they unlace their shoes and step from between the ropes, a different resonating voice, earlier yelled by Redmond, fills the boxers’ brains.

As the members trudge out after their physically and mentally exhausting routines, this voice follows them through the door with a reminder in the form of a bold message on a white-board.

“When you leave these doors, you’re representing: yourself, your family, your gym, your sport, your city, your state, your country. Do the right thing.”



Find out what goes into a practice at Metro Boxing Club online.

HOUSING

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In 2011, 81 percent of sophomores continued their education at Northwest. Schenkel said Northwest is pleased to be better than its peers in this area.

“Northwest is proud of our students’ retention rate, which currently exceeds our peers,” Schenkel said. “However, we are constantly challenging ourselves to do better, so we have developed a goal of improv-

ing our (freshman) retention rate to achieve a stretch goal of 75.”

From expanding the University’s leadership training and career pathing to helping students take advantage of study abroad, there are many components that the University hopes to improve on to help students after freshman year.

Otherwise, the University could wave goodbye to large chunks of change.

“There are other things we can do on that co-curricular side to match that career-ready part, so that when you leave here you have leadership



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An accident occurred between an unknown driver and Mallory L. Hanson at the 1100 block of North College Drive.

Mar. 14

Taylor D. Hill, 22, was charged with driving while revoked, failure to register a motor vehicle and improper display of license plates at the 1400 block of North Main Street.

Linda S. Woodard, 43, was charged with dog at large, harboring a vicious animal, no rabies vaccination and no city dog license.

An accident occurred between an unknown driver and Scott M. Boehmer

at the 1000 block of North Buchanan Street.

Mar. 15

Christopher D. Rolling, 23, was wanted on warrant for failure to appear at the 400 block of North Market Street.

There was a grass fire reported a the intersection of Ivory Road and 275th Street.

There was a grass fire reported at the 23000 block of Hallmark Road.

Chase A. Sherman, 19, was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market.

Sean M. Patchin, 18, Blue Springs, Mo., was charged with minor in possession,

speeding and no valid driver’s license at the 1000 block of Andrew Drive.

Alec M. Dunn, 19, was charged with minor in possession and possession of another’s driver’s license at the 500 block of West Third Street.

Mar. 16

There was a structure fire reported with mutual aid at the 22000 block of Route AB.

Mar. 17

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny at the 1500 block of South Main Street.

An accident occurred between an unknown driver and John Stanfield, Salisbury, Mo., at the 700 block of East

Thompson Street.

Mar. 18

There was a smoke investigation at the 500 block of South Hills Drive.

Terry L. Vanhoutan, 52, was wanted on warrant for failure to appear at the 400 block of North Market Street.

An accident occurred between an unknown driver and William J. Mathias Jr., St. Joseph, Mo., at the 100 block of East Third Street.

An accident occurred between Becky S. Evans, 38, and Sierra N. Sturm, 18, at East Sixteenth Street and North Dewey.

An accident occurred between Adrian-

na K. Light, 22, and Adam L. Stoner, 41, at the 1200 block of North Mulberry.

Mar. 19

There was a manufacturing fire reported at the 800 block of University Drive.

Mar. 20

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny at the 200 block of Park Avenue.

An accident occurred between Elizabeth T. Bauman, 25, Rosendale, Mo., and Shirley Laughlin at the 400 block of South Mattie Street.

Mar. 21

Joshua D. Elkins, 19, was charged with minor in possession at the 400 block of North Walnut Street.

RESISTING THE TEMPTATION

“No matter what you believe, allow yourself the time to doubt, and allow yourself the time to doubt your doubts. Take time to think about what you believe, and weigh it against differing views. Challenge yourself to have a conversation with someone who disagrees with you on all accounts.”

- Cameron Moore

“It’s a body of believers, and as a believer, I know that Christ gave his life for my sins and that his grace is unfathomable. Being part of a church, the body of Christ, means that I give my life up daily and follow him.”

- Becca Piercy

“Religion plays a very important role in my everyday life. We can balance though... We can go to parties and temple. That’s not a big deal. It depends on how people will manage. Myself, I can do both.

- Moiunica Thangella

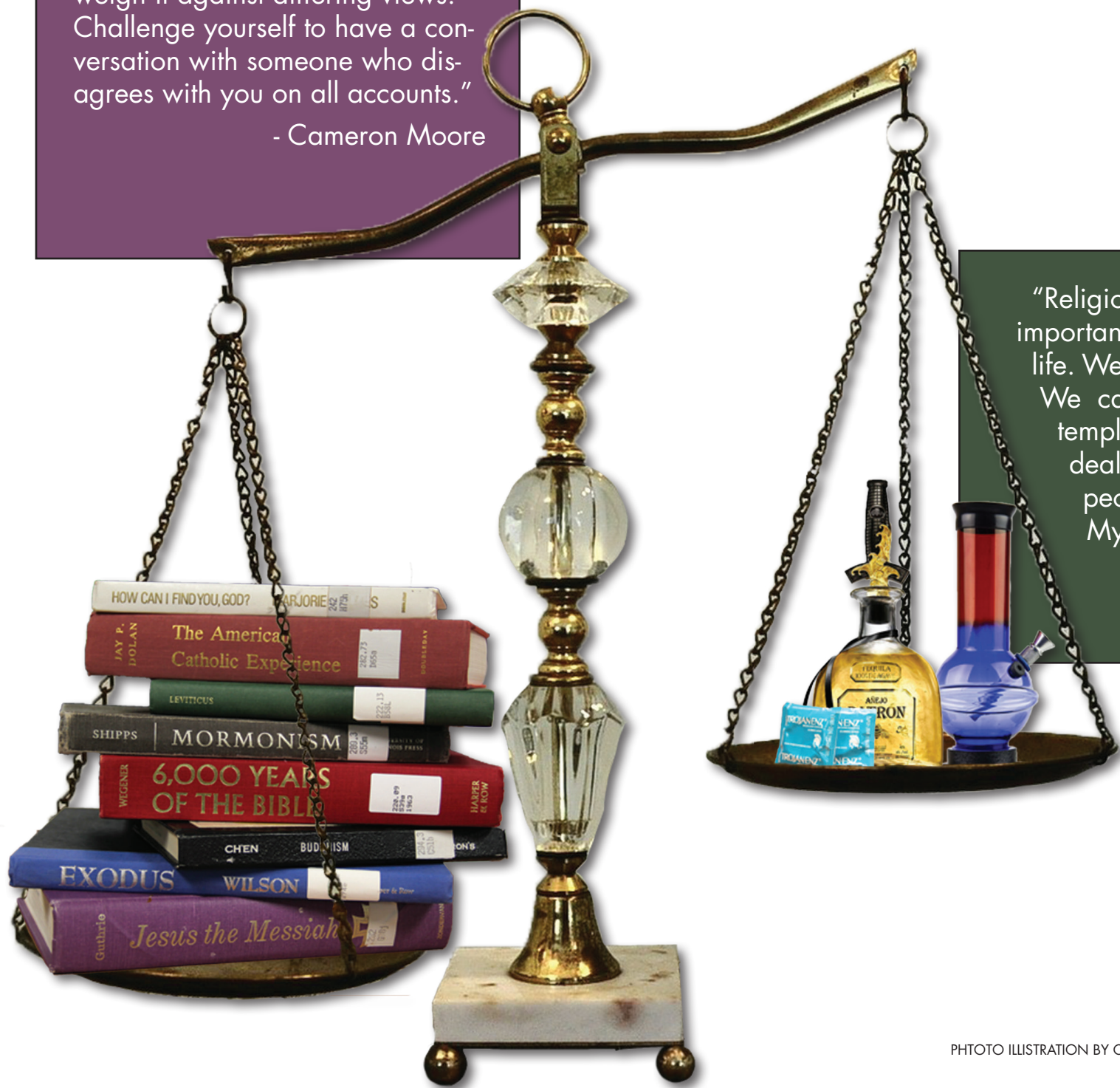


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Students find balance between college influences, religion

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Church pews are screaming for some attention. And that’s just what some students on campus give them. One by one, they pile into their holy place of worship, smiles of joy spread across their faces.

Row upon row of glittering eyes look up, waiting, as the speaker opens the gospel and words spill from his mouth. Every syllable dripping from his mouth pools in the brains of his listeners. Music and youthful harmonies seep through the colorful, stained windows to the outside world that is filled with temptation and defeat.

Trials and tests enter our lives on the daily, pulling our hearts one way and our minds another. We have a constant burden upon us to do better, achieve greater and pursue happiness at a young age. The pressure of college can eat you alive. But, that is what comes with being an overwhelmed student, being on your own, making your own moral choices and following your own beliefs.

We often struggle when it comes to choosing “the right decision” over “the wrong.” Drinking, parties, smoking, drugs, sex, lying, cheating, there is an endless list of enticing trouble that surrounds us. Begging us to make what society deemed the “wrong” choice.

However, having inspiring people surround you, believing in something with your whole being and having spiritual influences make a world of difference when push comes to shove.

Most students agree that their lives have improved since joining a religious organization. Becca Piercy, a member of the Baptist Student Union said “They are like a second family to me, and our purpose as a body is to share God’s love. That affects my life everyday because it’s our goal everyday.”

Members of the Navigators, a nondenominational group on campus, do a lot of service and worship benefiting other people in the community, rather than the organization themselves.

“On a regular basis, as I am going through my day, my mindset seems to focus on how the lives’ of others are and not necessarily only myself,” senior Cameron Moore said. “I have learned to have a ‘servant’s heart’ in all circumstances.

“This ministry has taught me that there are much more important things to focus on in life than my individual needs.”

From The Baptist Student Union to Younglife to the Navigators to the Lutheran Campus Center, campus is covered when it comes to religious groups. Even

religious students that are not a part of a University organization choose to dedicate time to their God on a regular basis. There are similar qualities in all these groups and individuals that stand out as beacons of virtue and pride. These students are challenged and allured with the “wrong” choices, but remain loyal to their faith and their service to their religion everyday.

“Being in this ministry has helped me focus on eternal things, rather than just living for the here and now,” Moore said. “I think that people come to college and assume ‘this is the only chance I get in life to have fun and be myself’ but that is not necessarily true.

“I understand some of the college influences may seem appetizing and satisfying, but they will leave a person lonely and unfulfilled.”

These organizations provide a sense of stability and the feeling of something close to home. It is a place of belonging for most. The atmosphere is comfortable, casual and somewhat soothing. It’s where students go to better themselves with the people around them.

“Younglife brings a community,” senior Nick Lampa said. “It’s not just you going along with your faith. You’re building your faith with everyone else.”

Religious groups are a family environment where everyone is comfortable with one another. Laughs, jokes and uplifting emotions fill the room as one by one students enter the place of worship.

“I know I can go to them when I need help or need someone to talk to,” Younglife leader freshman Mackenzie Taylor said. “I can go to my other leaders, and they can do the same with me. They are fun and easy to get along with and willing to do anything”

College is a time to discover. Explore who you want to be and what you believe in.

“I think this challenge can be summed up in the battle of being patient,” Moore said. “College is not the only time that we will have to discover life’s wonders and truths...The biggest challenge I believe we face is to not be in a rush all the time...”

Organizations such as Younglife get the whole city of Maryville involved in the fun and devotion. Younglife works with high school kids to learn and give advice, so those students will also grow in the light of God.

“(The best part is) just being able to connect with the kids,” Lampa said. “For me, He is my safety net. Being able to share that with kids and create relationships and being able to let them see for themselves how important God is, that’s what is important to me.”

Some Northwest students practice balancing their lives between church and college life, which can

be a conflict for some people. There is time for fun, as long as it stays true to what you believe and your faith.

“...parties happen. During these events, I rely on how Jesus lived among people who had different values than he did,” Moore said. “He respected them, loved them and lived among them, answering questions with gentleness and respect as to why He was not indulging in what was considered harmless fun.”

Some members of these organizations may partake in something as small as a party, but they know what they are getting themselves into.

“We as believers aren’t perfect, and there is temptation, but what helps me is the relationships I share with my brothers and sisters in Christ,” Piercy said. “...Being a believer, college influences just don’t interest me. As Christians we are called to a holy lifestyle, which I don’t believe involves those influences.”

Even students who are religious but not in a specific organization still respect their beliefs and stick to their values. Foreign exchange students, students who practice Hinduism, Buddhism, Mormonism and others still have to find time for fun and time for church functions.

Devoted Hindu students go to parties, find time to spend with their friends and go to temple on a weekly basis.

“I can balance both things (having fun and church),” graduate student Bindu Kotha said. “I do follow my religion and I do go to parties with my friends. I can handle both of them. A person that is very religious can go to parties...you can still enjoy yourself”

Religious students serve, but at the same time they find time for other social events just like every other college student.

“Religion plays a very important role in my everyday life,” graduate student Moiunica Thangella said. “We can balance though...We can go to parties and temple. That’s not a big deal. It depends on how people will manage. Myself, I can do both.”

An element that is obviously noticeable in most students that are either involved with a church organizations and other religious practices is the joy. It is obviously expressed during meetings and throughout their lives. Walking into every worship, students feel a sense of relief, ease and acceptance.

“I think having a spiritual influence helps you with everything...” Taylor said. “They always seem happier. They always have a smile on their face. You know you can talk to them because they are showing joy as you walk past them.”

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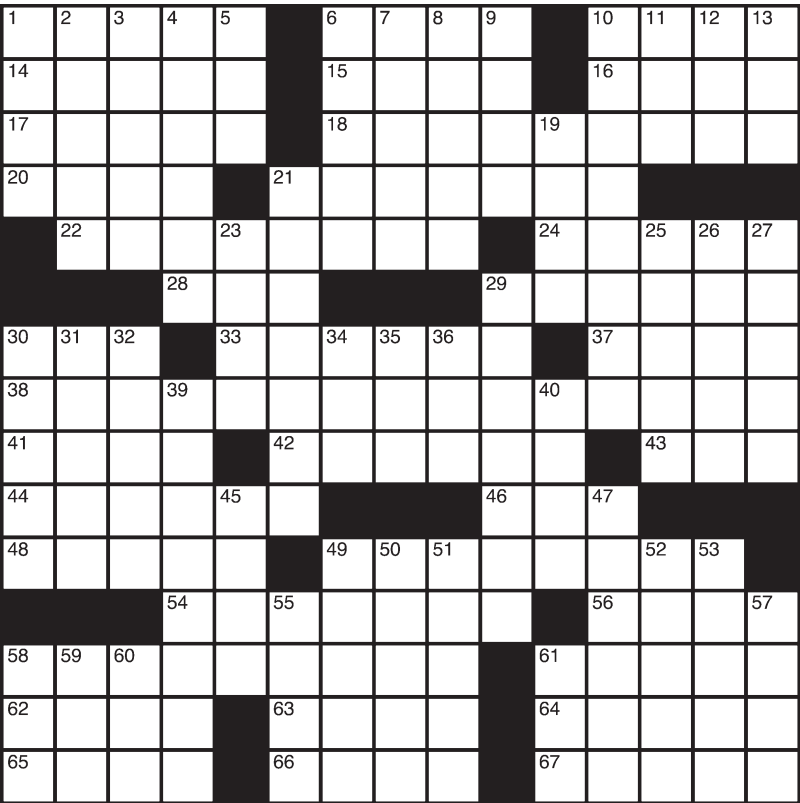
▶ CROSSWORD

By Peter A Collins

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- Across
1 Oxymoronic shrimp type
6 Sets, as a price
10 Overcast
14 Opera solos
15 Chop ____
16 The stuff of legends
17 Fish organs
18 Subjects for Monet
20 Pocketed, as a pool ball
21 Broke the Tenth Commandment
22 Sounded like an donkey
24 Wimp
28 Tanzania's ____es Salaam
29 Thomas More's perfect world
30 With 41-Across, thing sometimes resisted
33 Words welcoming speakers
37 Pre-Easter season
38 Like someone needing a lot of attention
41 See 30-Across
42 Gourmet's prefix
43 ____ Moines
44 Self-described "short, stocky, slow-witted bald man" of "Seinfeld"
46 Bankbook cred.
48 Taste, e.g.
49 Barn dances
54 Lame excuses
56 Absorbs, as a loss
58 "Love Actually" actor
61 State whose motto is "Friendship"
62 Kin of -trix
63 Willy of "Free Willy," e.g.
64 Embellish
65 Umpire's call
66 Turns green, say
67 Quintet of assassins?
- Down
1 Sprees
2 Awful Heep
3 Hundred Acre Wood creator
4 Refused to cooperate
5 Covert WWII agcy.
6 Vote by ____ of hands
7 Like Cary Grant characters
8 Excited, with "up"
9 Part of TBS: Abbr.
10 Flower with sword-shaped leaves
11 Legendary bird
12 Noah's boat



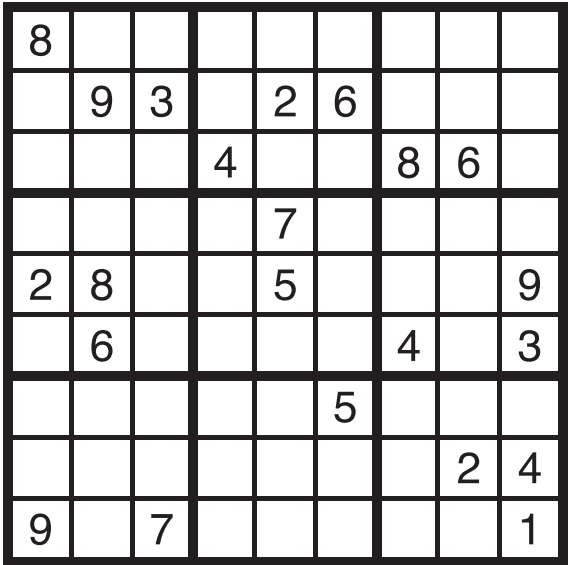
- 13 "You betcha!"
19 Midterm, say
21 2011 Polanski comedy with an ironically violent title
23 "The Lost Boys" actor Corey
25 Go on a shopping spree
26 Because
27 David who directed four Harry Potter films
29 Log-in needs
30 Hooligans
31 Newly employed person
32 Goad
34 Alejandro's aunt
35 ER VIPs
36 Giant star Mel
39 Astronomer who discovered Uranus
40 "Mustn't do" thing
45 Trivial Pursuit category: Abbr.
47 Stereotypical professorial attire
49 White with age
50 1/16 of a pound
51 James and Jones of jazz
52 Greek vacation island
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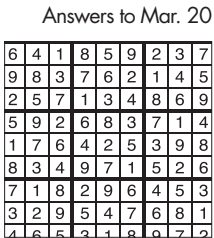
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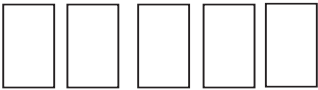
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Answers: Robert Downey, Jr.

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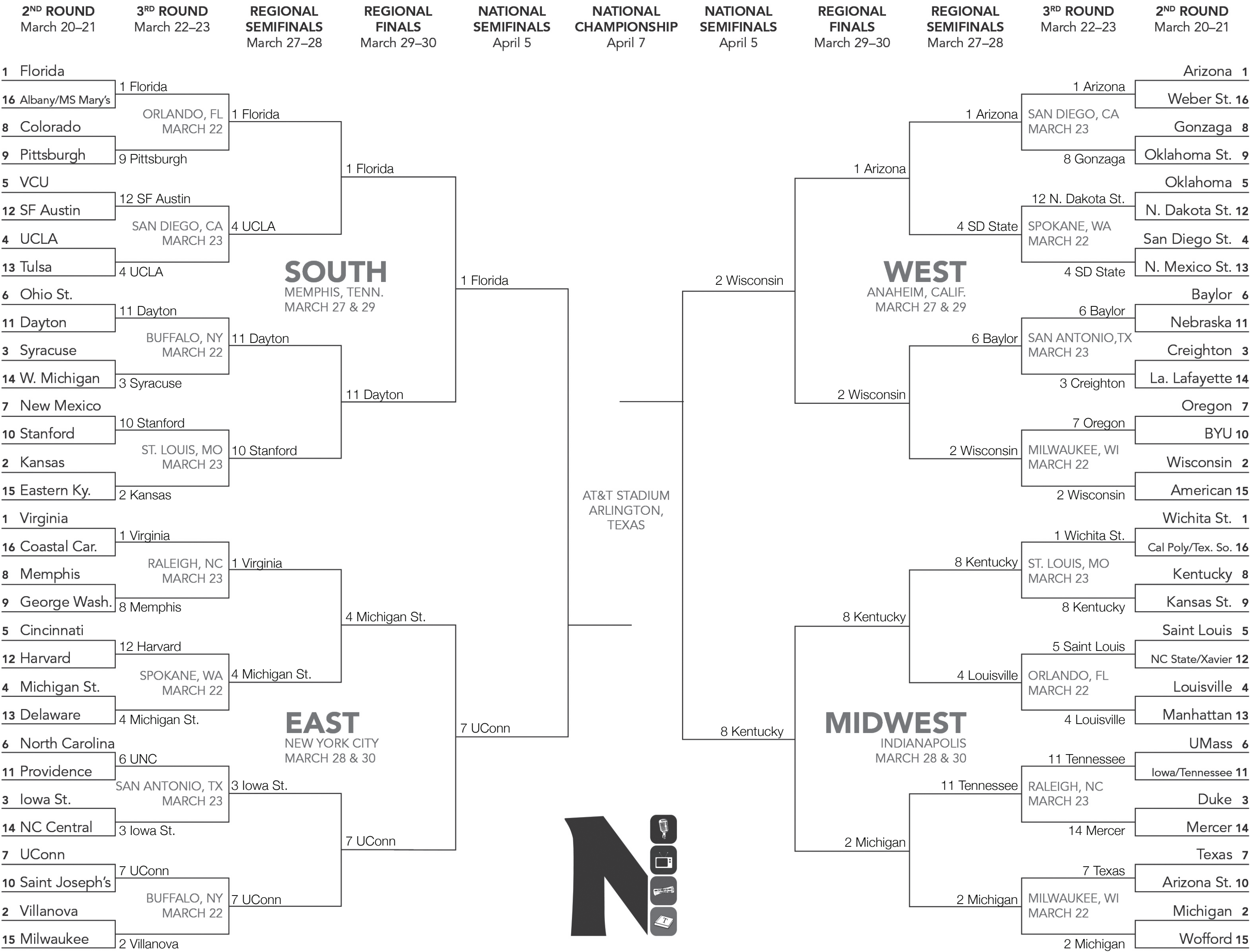


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